April 30, 1930.

Mr. W. G. Henry,
Chelsea,
Oklahoma.

Dear Mr. Henry:-

Your question relative to the gifts to the Board has come up in a great many minds. I would not dare to advise in such a case as each one must be a judge for himself. While I have not been in accord with much that the Boards have done and planned, nevertheless I have not felt justified in holding contributions.

I think your comments regarding Philadelphia Presbytery and Rev. Donald Grey Barnhouse are fitting and timely. In opposition to him there were decided conservatives as well as some liberals. I do not know the motives which inspired them but he has gathered quite a crowd of opponents as well as many most devoted friends.

Yours very sincerely,

Kendrick C. Hill,
Assistant Postmaster.
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FIRST CLASS

TRENTON, NEW JERSEY

15th April 1930

Rev. W. Courtland Robinson,
" THE PRESBYTERIAN, "
Philadelphia.

My dear Dr. Robinson:

My subscription is past due-- hence this check for a year's renewal from date of expiration. Thanks for your courtesy in carrying me along.

I am reading your editorials. They are gratifying, interesting, responsive, and instructive. I like them. Others have commented to me very favorably upon them, which I have pleasure in transmitting to you.

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Don't say I said so-- whispering like!

At a recent meeting of the Presbytery of New Brunswick, I was elected Permanent Clerk, by a large majority (53-20), over a popular young minister--- They say the first layman ever elected to this position in this Presbytery. I think it was done in large measure to gratify the Eldership! I also had strong backing. My election was not anticipated. The Nominations Committee unanimously reported a Minister who was elected, in spite of nominations from the floor; whereas it unanimously reported a young and fine Minister for Permanent Clerk, and I, nominated from the floor, defeated him! Strange things still seem to happen sometimes!

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With pleasant recollections of our meeting in Tulsa,

And best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Kendrick C. Hill

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Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, Editor,
%The Presbyterian
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sisr;

No doubt, you are aware, that in ones life, and experience there arise questions, that are hard to square with ones faith and be consistent.

As a reader of the Presbyterian, the enclosed clipping has raised a question, that has bothered me before, and I am enclosing this to you and ask little advice, and light.

As a member of the Presbyterian Church, naturally I would want to do all that I could to advance its reals interest, in so far as that interest is in accord with scriptures and God's will.

I understand the Bible to teach, that a christian should not bid God speed to a doctrine, or teachings that are contrary to God's revealed word, and that anathema is pronounced on those who do.

If that the case, and our BOARDS are in the hands of the modernists, whos teachings, and beleif, are not in accord with the scriptures, as to sin, Divinity of Jesus, and neccesity of the New Birth, and that they should send out men of like faith, what should be the attitude of a christian giving of his means to support, and spread of such a gospel, in case he should beleive the opposite.

I do not mean to raise the question of their right to preach or teach what they, beleive, the right, but what of the responsibility, of one who beleives in the old FAITH, ~~should~~ should he give to help along their testimony, in light of 2 John 11

I also note with regret the action of Philadelphia Presbytery, in curbing the preaching of Rev Barnhouse, when it seems that the General Assembly would not stop the preaching of ministers who refused to agree to Presbyterian standards of faith. I wonder if the MESSAGE that Rev Barnhouse gives the REAL cause of complaint, as well as cause for the crowds he gets. Could this be a sign of the times in which we live.

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ST. LOUIS, MO.

I am glad to note your favorable comment from time to time, of the FAITH once for all delivered to the saints and also of the men who are faithful to the standards of the church, and who are now directing the Westminister Seminary.

I am just writing for information, and not for controversy, or publication, and would appreciate am early reply and any light on this that you can give.

We are a small church here, and while my gifts are not large, yet I want to be consistent, and as faithful to our LORD as I can be at all costs. We get some help from the board here in our church, and of course should be appreciative, and are, however that should not, hinder one being honest with his own conscience.

Assuring you of my best wishes, and trusting that I may hear from you soon, I am

Yours truly
W. G. Henry

WM. ALBERT HARBISON
GRAYBAR BUILDING
NEW YORK

April 19, 1930.

Dr. Courtland Robinson, Editor
The Presbyterian,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

I find among a lot of unanswered correspondence your letter of March 27th, enclosing letter from Dr. Wishart of the College of Wooster.

I am returning it with the suggestion that it be referred to the meeting of the Board of Directors.

In the meantime, if you wish to make any courteous reply pending decision, that is, of course, entirely proper.

Very sincerely yours,

Wm. Albert Harbison
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WAH/R

April 9, 1930.

Mr. J. P. Hays,
328 College Ave.,
Grove City, Pa.

Dear Mr. Hays:-

I think I am as much against modernism as you are. I have regretted the division among conservatives in the Presbyterian Church which has led to our loss of control. It is my hope and desire by avoiding personalities to do something to bring conservatives into sufficient harmony to work together. My dream may be foolish and futile but that is what I have in mind. If you find an utterance of Mine which is untrue to the fundamental doctrines of the Presbyterian Church I will certainly be different in conviction than I am now. I hope the months to come will restore your confidence. I am not Dr. Kennedy nor Dr. Craig who are both my friends but in my own way I hope to aid the old-fashioned doctrines in which I most surely believe.

Very truly yours,

A. S. HOLDEN, PRESIDENT JOHN M. MYLNE, ENGINEER AND SUPT. J. GEO. HUNTER, SECRETARY-TREASURER

THE GAGE CANAL COMPANY
391 WEST SEVENTH STREET
RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA
P. O. BOX 467

March 27/1930.

Rev. W. Courtland Robinson.
Phila. Pa.
Dear Sir & Brother:- The Presbyterian of March 20/1930, came in this morning's mail. I tore off the wrapper & at once became so absorbed in some of its articles, I read it thro'-

Then that I must send you a line, heartily commending you for its strong Articles. Yours on "The Tongue" is fine
The following on "The Church" is most timely
E P W's on "The Propagation of Atheism" should be read by every American. Why does our nation not arise & destroy this vile Evil-
But the article on Pages 6 & 7 by Ida Goepp Pierson on "Ordination of women as ministers and Elders" should be read & re-read by every Presbyterian & then Pray & work to defeat this Satanic object. I have been a life-long Presbyterian, an elder for years & am heartily ashamed of the way many of our ministers talk on this subject as well as on others. Why do they not study "The Word" and then be guided by it? This article should be broadcasted in pamphlet form to every Presbyterian home - Praying The Master's richest blessing upon your good work, Very sincerely yours "in Him" J. Geo. Hunter

97 SOUTH GROVE STREET
EAST ORANGE, N. J.

March 28, 1930.

Dear Dr Robinson;

Thank you for your kind letter of March 27th. I am sure the Presbyterian will continue to rank high in ability and leadership under your editorial management. I have followed your exposition of the Sabbath-School lessons with pleasure and profit for a long time. There is no scarcity of talented and devoted men in the Presbyterian Church, and undoubtedly the great paper you are to manage has made a wise and worthy choice in inviting you to become its editor.

With best wishes for your distinguished success. Very sincerely Yours R. J. Houston

March 27, 1930.

Mr. Wm. A. Harbison,
Graybar Bldg.,
Lexington Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Harbison:-

Thank you for sending me this letter which I return promptly lest I should forget it later. I have written Dr. Nichols of Auburn to send Mr. MacCallum a copy of the Auburn Affirmation. There seems to be no copy in this office though it was carefully kept for a long time. I shall expect to be at the meeting April 25th.

A letter from Dr. Wishart, President of the College of Wooster, has just been placed in my hands asking to place an ad in THE PRESBYTERIAN. They have already sent us a copy. THE PRESBYTERIAN has not advertised the College of Wooster hitherto and I personally am not at all keen that we should. However, I feel that is a matter for the directors to decide and, therefore, refer this letter to you.

Very cordially yours,

March 27, 1930.

Mr. R. J. Houston,
97 S. Grove Street,
East Orange, N. J.

Dear Mr. Houston:-

Your letter to the Presbyterian Publishing Company has come to my hand. I quite agree with you as to the able editorship of Dr. Craig. I had nothing whatever to do even remotely with the circumstances that led to his retirement. I make no claim to be either as able or as bright as he. I do know that I am an old-fashioned conservative in my belief and my record will prove it. Naturally, my expression will be different from that of Dr. Craig but I will give it a trial and hope that I may meet the desires of such as you.

Most sincerely yours,

Olivet-Covenant Presbyterian Church

22nd and Mount Vernon Streets

Philadelphia

REV. MATTHEW J. HYNDMAN D. D.
630 N. 22ND STREET

March 26,1930.

Rev.Wm.Courtland Robinson,D.D.

1217 Market St. Philada.

Dear Dr.Robinson:

I wish to express my satisfaction in your acceptance of the position of Editor of the PRESBYTERIAN.Your long experience in the pastorate should qualify you in every respect for for the responsible work entrusted to you.You have my best wishes for success in your efforts to guide the thought of the Church. I have been a reader of the PRESBYTERIAN all my ministerial life. I have often disagreed,as others have done,with the positions taken on important matters before the Church.I have been surprised and grieved over the distrust,suspicion and bitterness so frequently displayed in editorial and contributed articles and letters.The result has been otherwise than the promoting of the peace,unity and purity of the Church. I anticipate more faith,hope and love;more constructive and less destructive criticism of the work and methods of the Church,will appear in the pages of this old and honored periodical.

May a new era come to the Presbyterian as you take up the work of guiding its policy.

Yours in the Gospel,

Matthew J. Hyndman

97 South Grove Street,
East Orange, N. J.
March 26, 1930.

The Presbyterian Publishing Co.,
1217 Market Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find check for renewal of my subscription for another year.

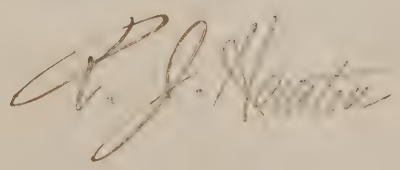
It has seemed to me that The Presbyterian hitherto was in a class by itself as a unique and most interesting publication. Under the able editorship of Dr. Craig it was always a bright and refreshing vistor. Each number carried a note of positive loyality to evangelical principles and the faith for which the Presbyterian Church is supposed to stand for in doctrine and practice.

It was a matter of sincere regret to learn that such a man was set aside. For one, I do not take the paper merely to have a religious weekly come into the home. Other publications answer this requirement. The Presbyterian, however, was different. It gave the news of the church and the trend of developments, both for and against the things that matter most. Its tenor was always heartening and encouraging to those who love the best interests of the whole Christian Church.

The central factor marking its program seemed to be - fearless loyality to the right. There was no striving to win the plaudits of the world or a cheap popularity that seems to count for so much in some quarters.

The recent reassuring pronouncements are gratifying to those who will continue to look to The Presbyterian as an exponent of the same principles which has marked its history in the past.

Very truly yours,



WM. ALBERT HARBISON
GRAYBAR BUILDING
NEW YORK

March 26th, 1930.

Dr. Courtland Robinson,
Editor, Presbyterian
1217 Market Street
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

I am enclosing to you herewith one of the letters that has just come in answer to my confidential letter sent out some time before. You will notice the reference of Dr. MacCallum to the Auburn Affirmation. Have you any knowledge where you could lay your hands on this statement of the Auburn Affirmation in order that Dr. MacCallum may have the information which he speaks of in his letter? If you can do so, I would greatly appreciate your sending or having it sent to him.

I am sure the letter will interest you, as well as other letters which I have received in answer to mine and which I may forward to you for reading and return later.

With best personal regards and for the work, I am

Very sincerely yours,

WAH/MF

Encl.

March 25, 1930.

Mr. Wm. Albert Harbison,
Graybar Bldg.,
Lexington Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Harbison:-

Thank you so much for your letter and enclosure which came to me this morning. I have had some severe letters but I do not think that they have irritated me unduly. I have had also many commendatory letters from conservatives who speak well of the work already done. I realize more and more that I am in a new position and I am not unduly confident of my ability to meet your desires. To step from a pastorate into an editorial chair is to make a great leap and I am not yet adjusted. I will try, however, to meet your desires and I am very grateful for your encouragement. I need abundance of advice and I want to make THE PRESBYTERIAN acceptable in a large number of homes. Please do not hesitate to tell me anything that is needed to improve the paper. Your letter did me great good and I will try to profit by it. If I find I am unequal to the task set before me you will have no difficulty in getting rid of me.

After consulting Mr. Monro and finding that there was no obligation to retain Dr. Lamb I have turned the Comments and Timely Topics largely over to my son who seems to me to have ability in that line. I told him we would allow him $10 a week which is about half the amount paid Dr. Lamb. I have told Miss Wallace. She inquired of me as to my pay and I told her that the committee said I should have $4,000 a year payable monthly as I understood it. I hope this all meets with your approval.

With very kind regards, I am

Yours most sincerely,

March 25, 1930.

Rev. Stuart Nye Hutchison, D.D.,
1301 Sheridan Avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

My dear Dr. Hutchison:-

Thank you so much for your letter. I stood in need of the encouragement which it brought. I realize more and more that I have started on a big task and I certainly am not overstocked with confidence in my ability to fulfill it. A letter like yours encourages me very much and I have had many others of like spirit.

Cordially yours,

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SECRETARY AND TREASURER
OFFICE IN CHURCH

March 24, 1930.

Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D.D.,
1217 Market Street,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Dr. Robinson:-

For the last two weeks I have been doing what I have not done for many years. I have been reading "The Presbyterian" straight through from beginning to end. You have brought a new spirit and a fine constructive policy to the paper, which it has sorely needed for a long time.

The paper has been in my family for over eighty years, and you can understand what it means to me to see it again taking the place which it has so long occupied in the Presbyterian Church.

I know that we have lost a handful of supporters recently, but they are nothing compared to the friends you are making all over the country. I wish you both personally and as editor of "The Presbyterian" the richest of blessings.

Very cordially yours,

Stuart Nye Hutchison

WM. ALBERT HARBISON
GRAYBAR BUILDING
NEW YORK

March 24, 1930.

Dr. Courtland Robinson, Editor,
The Presbyterian,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Dr.Robinson:

As per telegrams to you, I am herewith replying in the matter of the proposed editorial which you have written for The Presbyterian entitled PURPOSE.

In general, may say that after talking with my mother at home, who is a very thoroughly consecrated Christian woman and takes a great interest even in her age in all maters of this kind, and after talking with Mr. Monro on my return to New York the latter part of the week, and accompanying this with my own personal reaction, I feel that it would not be wise to enter into the controversy in exactly the way that you do in this editorial.

In the first place it seems to me it would be a wiser plan to use we in the editorial, in place of the first person, and thereby avoid the making of it a personal matter. There is a good deal of indication in your letter that some of the letters of criticism coming in have produced some irritation on the part of the editor, which it would seem wiser to avoid.

Again, the reference to Dr. Charles E. Jefferson is unfortunate owing to the fact that we had an experience with Dr. Jefferson in Grove City College some years ago at the annual Bible conference. In one of his addresses at a public meeting in the evening he practically threw over all categories of faith, and so far got away from the platform of Grove City College that a Committee was appointed to call upon him the following morning. This was Saturday morning, and he had just two more addresses to give on Sunday. The Doctor stated he believed all that the Committee had mentioned to him as the outstanding platform of the college and Bible conference, but apparently he did not think it necessary to embody that in his addresses the evening before. However he stated that his Sabbath sermons would be altogether Christocentric and was sure no exception could be taken to them.

The difficulty with some of our modernists is that they have John Dewey as the background to their philosophy, and some of these men with such a philosopical background are absolutely illogical in apparently giving voice to an entirely Evangelical position before one audience and a diametrically opposite one at another time to a different audience. While you limit your reference to Dr. Jefferson to the statement, "I am with him on that," still there are many in reading the reference who would at once feel that our paper was going over partly to the other side.

The reference also to the Princeton men is to my mind a little unfortunate for this reason. While Doctors Erdman, Armstrong, and Hodge have never uttered heterodox sentiments, as you state, yet Dr. Stevenson has time and again, (as at the Baltimore Assembly) stated that his purpose was to make of Princeton a seminary representative of the whole church. In other words, in the phraseology of Dr. Craig himself, to make it an all inclusive seminary.

Princeton in the past has never been an all inclusive seminary, but had stood unequivocally in all departments of the seminary on a soundly Evangelical basis.

It is my personal belief that within ten years, with the possible withdrawal of Dr. McEwan as Chairman of the Board owing to his age, and with the expression within that time of real conviction of the Board of Trustees, that Princeton will pass over to the category of an all inclusive seminary, unless indeed God overrules.

The closing paragraph of the proposed editorial is perhaps the best part of the whole. In writing and wording this letter as I do, you must realize I am only expressing my own personal thought in the matter, and hope indeed that it will not cause you irritation, as doubtless the letters that you refer to are quite sufficient in themselves in the way of worry at this time.

I am enclosing to you herewith a copy of the letter that I have sent out in a confidential way to those subscribers referred to me who have written asking the cancellation of their subscriptions. Have had a number of very fine, strong letters in reply, only one nasty letter, and in a number of cases they are asking renewal of their subscriptions. Please treat the letter as entirely confidential.

The replies so far would indicate that April 25th is the most suitable date for the meeting of the Board. I have still to hear from Dr. McEwan who is in Pasadena, and Mr. Crowell who is in Atlanta, Ga.

Assuring you of my deepest sympathy in the new work you have undertaken, and of my earnest desire to help and cooperate in every way possible, I am

Very sincerely yours,

WAH/R

WM. ALBERT HARBISON
GRAYBAR BUILDING
NEW YORK

CONFIDENTIAL

Because of my long time and deep interest in the work of The Presbyterian, a number of letters that have come to the office of The Presbyterian Publishing Company following the resignation of Dr. Craig as editor of the paper, have been referred to me, your letter among them.

Please be advised that my father, Mr. Samuel P. Harbison, of Pittsburgh, together with Mrs. William Thaw, who has only the past year gone to her reward, were for many years the two principal supporters of The Presbyterian, and I succeeded to my father's place on the Board, at his death in 1905, and took his place as supporter of the work of The Presbyterian, for a time representing the Estate of Samuel P. Harbison until that came automatically to an end in 1925. Since that time I have continued to be one of the principal supporters of the paper, and as you know, an institution of this kind is a missionary enterprise, and it has taken from $8,000 to $10,000 a year in contributions in order to maintain the paper at all.

The only interest whatsoever that I personally have in the paper is in its standing soundly and four square on the Evangelical basis, on the platform of the paper itself as stated in a recent issue, followed by a preliminary statement of the new editor to be, Dr. Courtland Robinson.

The membership of the Board of The Presbyterian is made up as follows:

Dr. Wm. L. McEwan, of Pittsburgh, Chairman.
Hugh R. Monro - President of the Stony Brook School for Boys and the Stony Brook Assembly, and long identified as Treasurer with the National Bible Institute of New York, Secretary.
Wm. Albert Harbison, Treasurer.
Henry P. Crowell, of Chicago. Mr. Crowell is one of the most consecrated Christian men I have ever known; has backed with thousands of dollars each year the work of the Moody Bible Institute; is a premillennialist in his own views, and is a man of national reputation as a Conservative, Evangelical Christian.

A. M. Thompson, of Pittsburgh, a prominent attorney there, and one of the best known strongly Conservative Presbyterian Elders in that city.

Dr. Edward H. Hodge, of Philadelphia, whose ancestors were publishers of the paper, and who is himself, I believe, greatly interested in Westminster Seminary.

Dr. Samuel H. Craig

J. S. Crutchfield, of Pittsburgh, newly elected Director, head of the American Fruit Growers, Inc., and a man of the strongest convictions along soundly Evangelical lines.

Edward J. Van Dyke, of New York City, a classmate of mine in Princeton University, and also a man of soundly Conservative views; Publisher of The Financial Press in New York.

Dr. David S. Kennedy resigned at the last meeting of the Board in Philadelphia, owing to a condition of health that prevents his attendance at any meetings.

At an informal meeting of the Board in Pittsburgh, held in July of last year, at which Dr. McEwan, Dr. Clarence McCartney (not a member of the Board) Mr. Thompson, Mr. Monro, Mr. Crowell of Chicago, and myself were present, Mr. Crowell made the statement that he could not find a man of his acquaintance, minister or layman, who was interested in subscribing to The Presbyterian. We asked him why. He replied that he personally did not object to the paper's attitude in the Princeton controversy, but the great objection to the paper was that it was dull and heavy, all one thing. It should have fine, constructive articles that would bring inspiration to the families of believers in the Bible as the Word of God, and not a paper that was entirely given over to the present prevailing controversy. Dr. McCartney was asked categorically what he would do if he were in the position of the Board of Directors. He replied that he would do what we were doing - plan to broaden the interest of the paper.

It may be said at this point that while perhaps a hundred people have been offended, largely through misunderstanding of the cause of Dr. Craig's resignation, as a matter of fact during the past two or three years of Dr. Craig's incumbency the paper has lost over two thousand subscribers.

You may be interested in knowing that in addition to the burden which the writer of this letter is carrying as his part of the annual deficit of the paper, he has underwritten the $10,000, five year pension fund for the previous editor, Dr. David S. Kennedy, who fought a hard and splendid battle for many years, and retired shortly after reaching the age of seventy. Mrs. Thaw contributed one half of the above amount. In addition, although the paper was unable to pay Dr. Craig's nominal salary of $3,000 a year for the past three years, and although the writer had no personal obligation in the matter, in order to be as fair as possible in a very trying situation he agreed to be

personally responsible for the payment of $10,000 of back salary to January 1st, 1930 to Dr. Craig. This was arranged at the last meeting of the Board in Philadelphia.

At that time every member of the Board, including Dr. McEwan, stated that they would stand for no criticism or attack upon Westminster Seminary so long as it continued to be a soundly Evangelical institution. If, under these circumstances, Dr. Craig is as fair toward the Board of The Presbyterian Publishing Company and to The Presbyterian itself as the Board has been, and is being, toward Dr. Craig, there will be no reason why the utmost friendship should not exist as between Dr. Craig and our Board, and as between the new seminary and The Presbyterian and its Board of Directors.

We believe, however, that it would be wanton folly for the present soundly Evangelical faculty of Princeton Seminary to do as the four members of the faculty did - resign and withdraw from Princeton because, in a Board of Trustees of some thirty-odd members there happened to be appointed thereon by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church two members who are known to have signed the Auburn Affirmation. There are Seven Million Dollars of property involved in Princeton Seminary. Because we Conservatives were offended at the action of the General Assembly in consolidating the two boards, shall we abandon to the Liberals the one chance of keeping the Seminary conservative?

The new Board of Princeton Seminary appointed Dr. Wm. L. McEwan of the Third Presbyterian Church of Pittsburgh as Chairman, and have made every protestation that they will maintain the traditional policy of Princeton Seminary along soundly Evangelical lines.

Since the new Board was organized, they have appointed two new members of the faculty - Dr. Samuel Zwemmer, the well known missionary to the Moslems, and about whose Conservatism no one can raise a question; and Dr. Blackwood of Louisville, Ky., in whose case again there is no question about his soundly Evangelical standing.

The Board of Directors of the Presbyterian intend to stand by Princeton and Westminster Seminaries, and any other institution so long as its faculty continues soundly Evangelical, and so long as they are unbridled so far as any expression of their Evangelical views are concerned as members of the faculty. Should any change take place at Princeton, or at Westminster, which would indicate that a department was being manned in an equivocating way, you may rest assured that The Presbyterian will call the attention of its reading public to the seriousness of the matter in question.

This letter is written to you as it is to a number of others, in order that it may disabuse your mind of the thought that the only soundly Evangelical organ of the Presbyterian Church had been lost to the Cause, and that we Evangelicals no longer have a mouthpiece in our Church. It is written with the thought that if you have had patience

to read the letter through, you will realize the wisdom of at least waiting and watching to see what the paper is continuing to do and to stand for. Life would not be worth living to the writer if he should in any way be responsible for betrayal of the Faith which is his, and which was his father's before him.

Very sincerely yours,

WM. ALBERT HARBISON

WAH/L.

March 24, 1930.

Rev. J. M. Hunter,
Delhi, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Hunter:-

Pardon my long delay in sending the topics for the Holy Week services as I was requested to do. The fact is my mind has been so taken up with the multitude of new things that I have scarcely given the matter a thought but I would suggest the following:- Monday, "Enthusiasm for Christ" Tuesday, "Instruction from Christ" Wednesday, "Deserting Christ" Thursday, "Followship with Christ" Friday, "Sacrificing with Christ." If these do not suit you and the others do not hesitate to change them.

I expect to be in Delhi April 4th for a few days. With very kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Mt. Pleasant Larger Parish
REV. THOMAS S. HICKMAN, PASTOR
Mt. Pleasant, Ark.
March 20, 1930.

Rev. William Courtland Robinson, D.D.,
Editor of The Presbyterian,
1217 Market Square,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Doctor Robinson;-

I want to extend to you my sincere congratulations on your appointment as editor of The Presbyterian, and to warmly commend your opening editorials. I was especially delighted and warmed by your splendid editorial on William Howard Taft. While I have never voted the Republican ticket I have been a warm admirer of Mr. Taft for many years, and I most heartily endorse what you wrote in tribute to his memory. I have placed in my collection of great editorials. I especially admired your Christian attitude toward Mr. Taft's religious faith and your words of tolerance. While I am only an humble missionary in the Ozarks, may I say that we are of kindred spirit. I, too, am a staunch conservative, but I dare not exhibit a harsh and censorious spirit toward those who may differ from me. I am very hopeful that your policy will again make The Presbyterian the greatest and best of our Presbyterian weeklies.

In the issue of Febr. 27th you printed a sermon of mine. I hope to send you other contributions from time to time subject to your approval. Print anything of mine you wish or reject it if you wish. If you print it send me a few copies, as my compensation. I want to cooperate with you in the work of the paper with any support I may be able to give. I enclose report of Jonesboro Presbytery.

Most Sincerely yours,
Thomas S. Hickman

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HAVE BEEN OUT OF TOWN AND YOUR LETTER AND EDITORIAL FORWARDED TO ME STOP HAVE JUST RETURNED TODAY AND GONE OVER SAME WITH MR MONRO WILL WRITE YOU TOMORROW

WM ALBERT HARBISON.

March 18, 1930.

Mr. Wm. Albert Harbison,
Graybar Building,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Harbison:

Your letter with enclosures received this morning. Last week I sent you an editorial asking for your comment. I was a little disappointed that you did not give me the benefit of your reaction. I think it is rather important, but we cannot get it in for the issue of March 27th.

I am told, on good authority, that Dr. Craig and the Westminster Seminary people are to start another paper. We have had cancellations of subscriptions, some of which indicate that a new paper is in view. I do not know how greatly it would affect us but I personally feel very sorry to have my editorship start off under such unfavorable auspices.

I hope you received the editorial I sent you. I would not think of publishing it without the backing of some member of the Board. You may correct, cut out, do anything you please, but I am anxious to get your reaction.

Most cordially yours,

W. COURTLAND ROBINSON

WCR:MH

WM. ALBERT HARBISON
GRAYBAR BUILDING
NEW YORK

March 14, 1930.

Dr. Courtland Robinson,
The Presbyterian,
1217 Market St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

The enclosed letters from subscribers to The Presbyterian were sent to Mr. Harbison by Miss McKinney. Heretofore these letters have been passed by Mr. Harbison on to Dr. McEwan for perusal, and then forwarded to you. Mr. Harbison now feels on account of Dr. McEwan's absence for a month on the Coast, we had best forward these direct to you. He would, however, like Dr. McEwan to see them on his return.

Very sincerely yours,

W R Lyons

Secretary.

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WM. ALBERT HARBISON
GRAYBAR BUILDING
NEW YORK

March 11, 1930.

Dr. Cortland Robinson, Editor,
The Presbyterian,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

The enclosed paper came from "Dad" Elliott, of the Evangelistic Department of the Y. M. C. A., with the notation which you will notice.

I do not know whether you will consider it of any value in connection with The Presbyterian or not. You will notice the reference to The Presbyterian.

I am very sorry that Dr. McEwan has gone West, as I think it would have been of value to have had a meeting of the Board shortly. Dr. McEwan is to be gone for a month. I am sure that you covet the close cooperation of your Board in the work which you are carrying out.

The only suggestion I would make at this time would be that, unlike Dr. Kennedy, you do not get so engrossed with the work of editing and operating the paper that you are confined to the editorial swivel chair from morning until night. Rather, I would suggest in a general way that you make use of a good deal of your time, vitality, and ability in securing contributions of as able men as you are able to secure for the writing of articles and editorials for the paper. Where a man of force and prominence, of soundly Evangelical character, has the opportunity of expressing himself through a paper with a following of some 15,000 actual subscribers, and many more readers, there is reason to believe that such cooperation can be had without entailing the payment of any large sum of money.

You may count upon my desire to cooperate with you in every way possible.

I was very much pleased with the spirit of good will that has been evinced in the first number I have seen under your actual editorship. That spirit of good will must not, however, interfere with our calling attention in the strongest possible way to any outstanding errors that we may find from time to time affecting the life and prosperity of the church.

With best personal regards, and for the work, I am

Very sincerely yours,

WAH/R

HORACE G. HILL, JR.
308 NORTH 37TH STREET
PHILADELPHIA

February 28, 1930

Dear Dr. Robinson,

It has been with a good deal of interest and pleasure that I have been watching the progress of the question of editorship of the "Presbyterian". I never felt quite sure that you would accept this position until I read your own notice in that paper a short time ago.

I suppose that I do not need to tell you how glad I am that you have taken this step which will give you a broader field of activity and should prove to be very congenial. Another distinct advantage is that you will be forced to spend at least a considerable portion of your time in Philadelphia and I trust that that will furnish us with the opportunity of seeing something of you. It is naturally the hope of your old friends that you will find it expedient to definitely settle in Philadelphia once more, although I recognize that this is entirely your affair and that there are many factors to be considered.

We are all looking forward to seeing you quite soon so that we may be able to congratulate you in person but, in the meantime, please accept my very best wishes that your new ministry may be helpful to an increasingly large number.

Sincerely yours,

Horace G. Hill Jr.

March 11, 1930.

Mr. Wm. Albert Harbison,
Graybar Building,
Lexington Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Harbison:

Enclosed find an editorial which I have written. It is very important and I would like to have your frank criticism.

I find myself between two fires and misunderstood by many.

Will you kindly return a copy with your comments thereon.

Very cordially yours,

W. COURTLAND ROBINSON

WCR:MH

March 10, 1930.

Rev. W. W. Heberton, D.D.,
407 Chestnut Lane,
Wayne, Pa.

Dear Dr. Heberton:-

Thank you so much for your warm letter of approval. I remember to have met you many times and I am glad that you approve of my first issue. I find the position very difficult but with the Lord's help we may go forward.

Yours very sincerely,

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Dear Friend:

You have been receiving THE PRESBYTERIAN each week for the past seven months, made possible through the kindness of a friend. We trust you have found interest and pleasure in its visits.

The time to which the subscription was paid has expired and we are writing to ask if you desire to become a regular reader. We are enclosing a statement for one year in advance.

As many of our readers do not wish a break in the receipt of their paper, it is our custom to continue the subscription until we receive a definite order otherwise. Will you kindly, therefore, advise us at an early date your wishes in the matter? We sincerely hope to receive a favorable reply, as it would give us pleasure to have you continue one of our readers.

Yours very truly,

THE PRESBYTERIAN

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W. W. HEBERTON
407 CHESTNUT LANE
WAYNE, PA.

Dear Dr Robinson -

Let me congratulate both yourself & the "Presbyterian" upon assuming the Editorial chair - I am a son of the Manse, & have first entered upon my 84th year & when a lad of about five, the Presbyterian was a familiar sight to me in our home - I was brought up on it, & when in 1869 after graduating from Princeton Seminary I was called to the pastorate of the old Brandywine Manor church in Chester Co, I became a subscriber & ever since that early date it has been in my home & read from cover to cover - I still read it with increasing interest as the years go by - I am glad it is in such good hands, & trust you may find it a delightful duty, to minister to its many friends, from year to year - I am sure you will widen its circulation & make it a blessing to its friends as it makes its weekly visits to our homes

Cordially
W. W. Heberton

EDITORIAL ROOMS

THE PRESBYTERIAN

1217 MARKET STREET, PHILADELPHIA

March 7, 1930.

Rev. Don C. Hindman,
New Martinsville, W. Va.

Dear Mr. Hindman:-

Your inspiring letter is at hand. Undoubtedly, the Church in all its departments needs the stimulation which you suggest. It was a pleasure to hear from you and I hope THE PRESBYTERIAN will continue to please you.

Yours very truly,

HOME ADDRESS
241 VIRGINIA STREET
PHONE NO. 339

Rev. Don C. Hindman
PASTOR FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
CHURCH ON MAPLE AVE
NEW MARTINSVILLE, W. VA.
March 5th 1930

Presbyterian;
Find $I on my paper. I like it very much. I wish you had a "Pep article once in a while. Preachers need encouragement they need a mental change, something different.

Many other magazine have articles on success, or how to hit the ball in their line so why not have a line like that in your good paper?

Im satisfied and not finding fault. You know without cooperation civilization would cease to exist. To never rest is the price paid for our greatness. We must learn to conquer, because it requires brains nerve, energy and work to achieve. Character is the only thing that endures, it is power and influence. Character is the sum of a mans common sense, his courage, his virile energy, his honesty, chastity and hsi honor.
Be greedy for life, dont let anyone break your spirit or crush it and never give up the struggle. Here it is- Ambition persevers in spite of difficulties. Dont let anyone get your goat.
Enthusiasm-Patrick Henry Henry had it and he was unlearned; look how he moved things. It is contagious, thus never lose it.
The difference in men is energy-determination.
Edison says, "Success is 2% genius and 98% honest effort, and he certainly knows.
Success is being active, awake ahead of the croud. Get out of the beaten path. We are in a new age. A business man said, "We are going a hundred miles an hour, and son the church is making ten miles per hour. Cope with the age. Dare and the world yields. The public is won by bold, imperious talents, by enterprising and the skillful.
Success depends on merit, not on favor.
Here is success. Personality, zeal, ability, honest effort, intelligence, self-confidence, faith---plus Jesus Christ.
Have an iron will. Never give in or give up.
So here is a sample, and Ill send you a real one soon.

Sincerely,
Don C. Hindman

P.S. Ive found that the minister of this age must be up todate. Personally I wear a light business suit, red tie, spats, and dress like the men of today and they all like it. I believe in the old time Gospel and that the Bible is the word of God, but I preach in a very modern way and 20 minute sermons.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
W. H. HOOVER
PASTOR
218 NORTH STREET
SIKESTON, MISSOURI

Rev.W.Courtland Robinson,D.D., Feb.26,1930.
1217 Market St.,
Philadelphia,Pa.
Dear Sir:

It was a very great shock to me when I read that Dr.Craig was asked to resign from the editorship of The Presbyterian.I saw at once that it was the effect of the liberal crowd in the Pres.church U.S.A.I have read The Presbyterian far many years and The Herald And Presbyter came to my home when I was a little boy.I would not want a paper in my home that compromises as yours must to satisfy those who asked Dr.Craig to resign.Dr.Craig stands for the Bylaws of the Presbyterian Publishing Co.That is why he was fired.Those Bylaws can be subscribed to like many so-called Pres.ministers subscribe to the Confession of Faith and the Bible.It is common for preachers to consider a solemn vow as nothing more than a scrap of paper.We despised Germany for doing that at the time of The World's War.Those who have employed you to be editor of The Presbyterian expect you to compromise with the professed policy of The Presbyterian.If not they would have kept Dr.Craig

as editor.We can not be for Christ and against Him too. We can not be for the Bible and against it too.No man ever took such a position.There are a lot who are trying to straddle the disputed issues in the Pres.church North. It can not be done and at the same time be on the right side.The Presbyterian can not be a "conservative paper" by a change of policy,for Dr.Craig made it such and if its policy is changed it will no longer be a conservative paper. As a Pres.minister you profess to believe and practise what Dr.Craig believes and practises,but when you profess to go against what Dr.Craig believes and practises you place yourself in a position which is not consistent to say the least.A man either believes in the vow which every Elder and Preacher is required to take in the Northern Pres.church or he does not.Dr.Craig's policy has been most consistent with that vow.You are apparently taking a position which must be against that vow.Such a paper would not be fit to give to Christians to read for above all God wants Christians who are honest.

I have written to The Presbyterian to stop the paper for the reasons I have stated to you.The Presbyterian is to take an all-inclusive attitude towards our teachings just as Princeton seminary has done.I have the highest regard for men who will make the sacrifices that Dr.Craig has made and those who have founded Westminster seminary.These are honest men.I hope that a new Pres.church paper is started.I for one will be a subscriber to it.I am writing to Dr.Craig to that effect.Your policy will not find God's favor.

Very Truly,

W. H. Hoover.

February 28, 1930.

Rev. W. H. Hoover,
218 North Street,
Sikeston, Mo.

Dear Mr. Hoover:-

Your letter has come before me. I regret your feeling exceedingly. I had nothing whatever to do with the change of editors except to take the vacant place. I assure you that I subscribe to the Confession of Faith and the Bible with all sincerity and by no means consider it a scrap of paper. Dr. Craig fought a valiant fight and I do not know of any one connected with T[illegible] who is opposed to the principles for which he stood.

I will take the liberty to have the paper sent to you for a week or two and hope that you may find that it is as conservative as it has ever been. Methods may differ but principles are the same. I hope that my attempt in this new place will find God's favor. If it does not, it will speedily come to an end.

Yours very truly,

April 30, 1930.

Dr. Charles A. Ingraham,
Elmwood Farms,
Cambridge, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Ingraham:-

Your letter of March 11th is after this long delay before me. Those who know me will have no fears as to my conservative theological position. Affairs are so confused now that one cannot follow all the individuals and parties who make up the conservative side but I stand for old-fashioned orthodoxy.

I am in sympathy with the positions represented in Westminster Seminary though I did not see the necessity of establishing it. I believe Princeton Seminary will remain orthodox though I confess there are some on its Board who are more liberal than I.

Your Post Office address interests me. I have a venerable aunt, Mrs. McFarland, in your village and have spent many happy hours there. Mrs. Fannie Laubach is a cousin with whom I have had many happy hours. Of course, I hope I may meet your desires.

Yours very truly,

DR. CHARLES A. INGRAHAM
ELMWOOD FARM
CAMBRIDGE, N. Y.

March 11, 1930.

The Presbyterian,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

I inclose my check for $2.50 to renew my subscription to THE PRESBYTERIAN for one year. I was much surprised and disappointed when I learned that Dr. Craig was to retire from the editorship, as I had greatly admired the way with which he had handled the periodical. I feared that it would under the new management support Modernism, but after a few weeks of study and the reading of the new editor's salutatory, I feel that while it will follow a conservative course, and not actively embrace that heresy, it will not oppose it. This I consider unfortunate.

Princeton Theological Seminary claims to be orthodox, while it has on its board of directors two signers of the Auburn Affirmation, which document practically ~~deny~~ denies the principal doctrines of our church; also, the General Assembly is now Modernistic, having a majority of that persuasion. These men are, as you know, aggressive; preaching, writing and employing ecclesiastic politics for the furtherance of their heretical ideas, so that ~~that~~ if they are allowed to have clear sailing they will control all the affairs of the church, spiritual and material.

Of course, the advocacy of truth and the avoidance of controversy, which I understand is to be the policy of the PRESBYTERIAN, is better that to adopt Modernism, but it seems to me that this attitude is an inclusive one; for if we do not condemn the heresy, growing steadily stronger and more threatening daily, we are in a way a party to it.

Also, if we fail to endorse and encourage the Westminister Theoligacal Seminary we are false to the Presbyterian creed. Catering to the rich and powerful of the world, forsaking the vital doctrines, may for a time be successful in a worldly way, but the days of retribution will surely come - if we sow ~~to~~ the wind we will reap the whirlwind.

Very truly yours,
Charles A. Ingraham

814 W.Washtenaw St.

Lansing, Michigan.

March 17, 1920.

Editor of the Presbyterian,
1217 Market St.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:-

Believeing you will welcome letters from your readers when they tell you of the problems some of them are facing, I am encouraged to write you a few lines.

The unrest and unbelief that is boldly and still more boldly asserting itself is a source of anxiety especially to those of us who are on the shady side of life.

I have taken the Presbyterian for some twenty seven years, but the thing I like most about it of late is to have it do my talking for me. When I find an individual who has influence,but does not discern in a flowery sermon whether or not the preacher believes in the atonement, miracles,integrity of the Bible etc. I try to see to it that he gets the Presbyterian regularly and reads it.

In the last few months I have sent in six new names for the Presbyterian, and I would like to keep up this work as long as the magazine will make it plain what the prophets and Christ and Paul have left us, together with how individuals and organizations in evangelical churches are conniving to modernize? and rationalize? every thing sacred. I feel that naturally pious souls can be jarred into a realization of these truths, and at the same time the magazine be free from an atmosphere of criticism and faultfinding.

This letter is not for publication - I can trust you. - for I want to speak of the following facts which may help to show you why I feel as I do: Two of our four Presbyterian preachers here are very guarded in what they preach for fear they may appear old fashioned. At the communion services one of them tells his congregation it is a beautiful tradition - that some churches are doing away with its practice- does not repeat what our Master said on that occasion as it is given by either Mat. Mark,Luke or Paul.This same pastor preaches against the atonement,original sin,belief(works only count), validity of the Bible,miracles etc. I am told by one who

knows that the largest down town churches of several denominations have pastors that vie with the two Presbyterian pastors mentioned above. All these pastors are comparatively new men in this community. These men are now planning on having Bishop Hughes hold services during Lent.

One sad part of all this is that very few of our people, and scarcely any of our church officers will object to a sermon if only it has plenty of show and oratory.

I may add that I am an acting elder and a university graduate.

Yours for the advancement of His kingdom.

Lee Johnson.

M. S. BEARD.
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March 12, 1930

The Editor
Presbyterian,
Philadelphia, Pa

Dear Sir and Brother,

From time to time I have contributed sermons to The Presbyterian which your editorial staff has uniformly considered worthy of publication. It may be that the recent change in staff personel has stiffened the requirements making such contributions acceptable. If so, please do not hesitate to return the enclosed manuscript.

So far as I can see, the grand old Presbyterian (which I have read for years) has not suffered by the change in leadership. My prayers join with those of thousands for the success of your great undertaking.

Yours in Him

Wil R Johnson

WINWOOD
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PENNSYLVANIA

W. Courtland Robinson, D. D. Editor

Dear Dr. Robinson,

The announcement on March 6 – back of the Presbyterian – was greeted with joy.

Dr. Macartney told me of your appointment and I sang the Doxology in my heart. Then tonight as I begin my preparation for teaching my class I note how "The Editor Begins by drawing a circle around your statement." I have a desire not

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so much to search for error as to promote the truth as I see it." Our prayers join yours in this.

Long ago I wrote you that I tried often to memorize your lesson from the Presbyterian so that I could repeat it to my Class. I still do and I thank you much. My girls know well the names of D. Robinson, Floyd Hopkins and D. Luccock. In the short time given us in Class I use a lecture method, culling the best thoughts from these two writers — specially the Illustrator.

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When you visit Dr. Macartney in Pittsburgh, I shall be proud to introduce you to my girls in their Class room (fourth story back) and am sure Mrs. Irwin will likewise welcome you to this Class of men.

Your friend,

Agnes Irwin

(Mrs. John M.)

March 12, 1930.